

TOWNE HALL NEWS

City of Woodstock, Georgia

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12453 Highway 92, Woodstock, GA 30188 770 592-6000

August 2015

2015 Municipal General Election - November 3, 2015

<u>Purpose:</u> The City of Woodstock will be holding a Municipal General Election at the Woodstock Public Library on November 3rd from 7 am to 7 pm for the purpose of filling the following Council Member Seats: Ward 2 (Incumbent Chris Casdia), Ward 4 (Incumbent Liz Baxter) and Ward 6 (Incumbent Rob Usher) which all expire on December 31st. The terms of office will be four years beginning on January 1, 2016 and expiring December 31, 2019.

<u>Qualifying:</u> Potential candidates may qualify in the office of the City Clerk located at the Woodstock Annex at 12453 Highway 92 on the following dates/times.

Monday: 8/31 – 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday: 9/01 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Wednesday: 9/02 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Qualifying Fees are \$270 for Council Seats. All fees are non-refundable and are due and payable at time of qualifying. We accept checks, Mastercard, Visa or cash. A pauper's affidavit may be filed for candidates who cannot afford to pay the qualifying fee.

Rhonda Pezzello, City Clerk

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MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

770 592-6000 X-1003 OR 770 592-6001

Mayor Donnie Henriques – <u>dhenriques@woodstockga.gov</u>

Ward1 Warren Johnson – wiohnson@woodstockga.gov

Ward2 Chris Casdia – ccasdia@woodstockga.gov

Ward3 Bob Mueller – <u>bmueller@woodstockga.gov</u>

Ward4 Liz Baxter – <u>lbaxter@woodstockga.gov</u>

Ward5 Bud Leonard – <u>bleonard@woodstockga.gov</u>

Ward6 Rob Usher – <u>rusher@woodstockga.gov</u>

of Woodstock, in the ward for which you are qualifying, for one year as of the date of the election. Ward maps available on City website.

Council Candidate Requirements: Be a resident of the City

All Candidates Must:

- 1) Be a registered voter.
- 2) Be 21 years of age or older.
- 3) Have all public monies accounted for.
- 4) Never have been convicted and sentenced for fraudulent violation of election laws, malfeasance in office, or felony involving moral turpitude or conviction of domestic violence under the laws of this State or any other State of the United States, unless the candidate's civil rights have been restored and at least ten years have elapsed, from the date of completion of the sentence, without a subsequent conviction of another felony involving moral turpitude.
- 5) Complete a Financial Disclosure Statement; Notice of Candidacy; Campaign Committee and/or Campaign Contribution form.
- 6) Pay the appropriate qualifying fee or file a pauper's affidavit.
- 7) Attend Newly Elected Officials Training within first year of office.

Filing

All campaign forms are to be filed with the City Clerk.

Before potential candidates accept any campaign contributions, they must file with the City Clerk a <u>Declaration of Intent to Accept Campaign Contributions Form</u>. All contributions must be accounted for in writing as to who gave the contribution, the amount (no matter how small), the date received and whether it was cash, check or in-kind contribution; otherwise it is an illegal/anonymous contribution. To register a campaign committee, complete FORM RC.

Forms and instructions available on ethics website: http://www.ethics.ga.gov

The voter registration deadline is October 5, 2015. Register at http://voter.cherokeega.com.

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STORMWATER CORNER

The City of Woodstock implemented a Street Sweeping Program in 2011 with the purchase of a new street sweeper. Street sweeping is practiced in most urban areas, often as an aesthetic practice to remove trash, sediment buildup, and large debris from curb gutters. Effective street sweeping programs can remove several tons of debris a year from city streets minimizing pollutants in stormwater runoff. During times of snow and ice, street sweeping can be used during the melting process to reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff from road salt, sand and grit.

The 2014 Woodstock Annual Water Quality Report is now available on the City's Website: www.woodstockga.gov.

WASTE MANAGEMENT HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

NO TRASH SERVICE ON LABOR DAY – MONDAY, 9/7/15 Service will be moved to the following day through Saturday.

DEMOLITION OF BUILDING B, LOCATED NEXT TO 8534 MAIN STREET AT THE CORNER OF MAIN STREET AND TOWNE LAKE PARKWAY HAS BEEN COMPLETED. CONTRACTORS HAVE BEGUN THE TASK OF REMODELING THE EXISTING LOBBY AREA TO INCLUDE NEW RESTROOMS.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE - DOWNTOWN WOODSTOCK

WWW.DOWNTOWNWOODSTOCK.ORG

SHOP, DINE, AND BE ENTERTAINED - 6 PM TO 9 PM **AUGUST 7TH: "SUMM ER OF LOVE" THEME**

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 2015

WWW.WOODSTOCKCONCERTSERIES.COM

Presenting Sponsor: Northside Hospital Cherokee August 8 @ 7:30 PM: The Rupert's orchestra

(ATLANTA'S FOREMOST PARTY BAND)

CITY OFFICES CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

BROWN BAG CONCERT SERIES

EVERY THURSDAY IN SEPTEMBER FROM NOON TO 1 PM IN THE PARK AT CITY CENTER (DOWNTOWN WOODSTOCK)

9-11 DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

HOSTED BY THE WOODSTOCK JAYCEES AND WOODSTOCK PARKS AND RECREATION -7 PM in City Park on 9/11/15

A Word from our City Manager

It is my pleasure to announce the hiring of our new Community Development Director, Mr. Brantley Day. Mr. Day is filling the position left by Jessica Guinn who is now the Assistant City Manager in Dunwoody. His first day will be August 17th and we look forward to the professionalism and expertise he will bring to our City.

He currently serves as Director of Operations for the Cumberland Community Improvement District, where he has management and oversight of a portfolio of projects valued at over \$215 million dollars, many related to the new Braves stadium. Prior to his current job, Day served as the Community Development Director for the City of Holly Springs, GA for six years. Day began his career as City Planner and later Community Development Director for the City of Riverdale, GA.

Mr. Day has received the American Institute for Certified Planners (AICP) designation from the American Planning Association. AICP certifies professionals in the United States in the field of urban and regional planning and assists planners in the areas of ethics, professional development, planning education, and the standards of planning practice. In addition he holds a Master of Public Administration degree and a B.A. degree in Political Science from the University of Georgia.

Mr. Day and his family have been residents of Cherokee County for the past twelve years. He was selected from a field of 26 candidates.

Enjoy the rest of the summer! Jeffrey Moon, City Manager jmoon@woodstockga.gov

WOODSTOCK FARMER'S MARKET

MARKET STREET
DOWNTOWN WOODSTOCK
Saturday's from 8:30 am to Noon
Tuesday's from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Regular Meetings Held $2^{\rm ND}/4^{\rm TH}$ Monday of the Month at 7 pm at The Chambers at City Center -8534 Main St.

Work Sessions Held the 3^{RD} monday of the month at 7 pm at The Chambers at City Center $-\,8534$ Main St.

WOODSTOCK PLANNING COMMISSION

1ST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7 PM THE CHAMBERS AT CITY CENTER – 8534 MAIN ST

AGENDA'S, MINUTES, AND VIDEO ONLINE AT http://www.woodstockga.iom2.com



"WOODSTOCK POLICE DEPARTMENT SET TO HOST

2015 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT"

The Woodstock Police Department, in partnership with other local public safety agencies, joins forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 32^{nd} annual National Night Out to be held on *Tuesday*, *August 4*, 2015, from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., in the Park at City Center, 101 Arnold Mill Road in Woodstock.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local anti-crime efforts, strengthen police and community partnerships, and to send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are uniting together to fight crime.

This event will feature K-9 demonstrations, Georgia State Patrol helicopter viewing, bounce houses, and more activities for children of all ages. Food and drinks will be made available courtesy of City of Woodstock Parks and Recreation Department with music provided by DJ Tim Cahill.

Other partnering agencies include: Georgia State Patrol, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), Cherokee County Sheriff's Office, Cherokee County Fire and Emergency Services, Holly Springs Police Department, Woodstock Fire Department, Cherokee County District Attorney's Office, and Cherokee County E-911 Center.

National Night Out is sponsored by Target, a national corporate sponsor.

For more information on National Night Out event, please contact Officer Ryan Bleisath or Officer Greg Stepp at 770-592-6000 extension 1172 or rbleisath@woodstockga.gov.